New Hampshire Veterans Home Benefit Fund

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FOR THOSE WHO SERVED

The New Hampshire Veterans Home (NHVH) Benefit Fund depends upon the generosity of our supporters to provide our residents with a meaningful quality of life through a variety of activities, programs and equipment. The Commandant and staff members have identified the following areas of support as vital to improving the care, safety, and comfort of our veterans. All donations should be made payable to "NHVH Benefit Fund" and mailed or delivered in person to New Hampshire Veterans Home, 139 Winter Street, Tilton, NH 03276. Donations are also accepted online at www.nh.gov/veterans. Donations to NHVH are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. We welcome donations made in honor or in memory of a loved one. We will acknowledge your donation to whomever you specify.

If you are interested in donating items such as clothing, books, VHS tapes or other related items, we ask that you please contact another organization that may require such items at this time. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, we are fully stocked on those items. We are happy to consider the appropriateness of other material donations. Please call ahead to discuss material donations.

Material donations are accepted Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. A completed donation form must accompany all material donations. These forms are available at the NHVH reception desk. Donors may designate their contribution to the area of greatest need or to a specific area of support. A brief explanation of each area of support is provided below.

Area of Greatest Need: All unrestricted contributions to the NHVH Benefit Fund will be designated to the area of greatest need. Our needs tend to change throughout the year. For example, our holiday area of support has greater needs in the fall months.

Activities: The activities area of support is used to keep our Residents socially active both at home and in the community. The recreation department relies on support in this area to pay for bingo, birthday celebrations, entertainers, professional sporting events, concerts, plays, museum trips as well as a variety of dining experiences to local restaurants or through home delivery.

Decorating: This area of support is used for purchasing decorations that change with the seasons and holidays while maintaining a feeling of home.

Equipment: This area of support is used to purchase equipment such as high definition television sets and wheelchair accessible computer tables that enhance the quality of life of our residents.

Holiday: This area of support is used to purchase gifts for the residents during the holiday season and for other special holiday celebrations throughout the year such as the St. Patrick's Day and Halloween parades and Valentines Day Dance.

Inter-generational program: The inter- generational area of support provides funding for a variety of activities involving young people such as our annual Grandparents Day and Easter Egg Hunt celebrations.

Landscaping: The landscaping area of support is used for making additions and renovations to the grounds of the New Hampshire Veterans Home.

Special Projects: This area of support is reserved for special, larger scale fundraising projects that donors may wish to support. Please contact Barry Conway, NHVH Commandant, for information about current special projects.

Sunshine Cart: The Sunshine Cart provides a wide selection of personal care items to our Residents. The Sunshine Cart is particularly important to those Residents who are not able to participate in shopping trips by allowing them to make their own selections FREE OF CHARGE. Sunshine cart items are not resold to the Residents. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please reference "Sunshine Cart" in your correspondence. We accept donations of standard size products as listed below. Unfortunately, we do not stock travel size items on the Sunshine Cart. Residents prefer standard size products that they can use for an extended period. Sunshine cart items include: denture cleaning tablets, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hair combs and brushes, emery boards, body wash, pre-shave electric shave, after shave – Mennen, Aqua Velva, Old Spice, mouthwash, lip balm, tissues, Vaseline or baby body lotion, individually-packaged eyeglass cleaner wipes, hair cream – VO5 or Brylcreem, and denture adhesive – Efferdent or Polident.

If you would like additional information about the New Hampshire Veterans Home Benefit Fund, **please contact Barry Conway at (603) 527-4400** or via e- mail at Barry.Conway@nhvh.nh.gov.

About the New Hampshire Veterans Home

The New Hampshire Veterans Home (NHVH) was established in Tilton in 1890 as the Soldier's Home for Civil War Veterans. One of just four New Hampshire nursing homes to win the 2007 Quality of Life Award from the NH Department of Health & Human Services, the modern facility is home to men and women who have served their country and fellow New Hampshire citizens.

The mission of NHVH is to provide high quality, professional long-term care services to the Granite State's elderly and disabled veterans. NHVH is the only long-term care facility in the Granite State that is dedicated exclusively to veterans.

As a professional health care provider, NHVH offers a full range of services including residential, medical/dental and nursing care as well as physical/occupational therapy, recreation, and dietary and social services. Chapel services, exercise groups, arts and crafts, shopping trips, live entertainment and various community outings support residents' quality of life. NHVH also offers inter-generational programs and animal-assisted recreational therapy. Dedicated staff members work in partnership with volunteers from surrounding communities and numerous veteran service organizations to enrich our residents' lives.

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